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Question 4: What are the procedures used for assuring priorities as established in DCID 1/2 are consistent with those set forth in the NITs?

Response:

The Basic Long-Term NITs and the DCID 1/2 use the same numerical priority ranking system, although the NITs are very general and the DCID 1/2 topics are relatively fine-grained. To ensure that the DCID 1/2 priorities are consistent with the NITs, over the past several months, the interagency DCID 1/2 Committee reviewed all DCID 1/2 country topics and matched them to corresponding NITs and, after coordination with the analytical community, adjusted DCID 1/2 priorities to achieve consistency with the appropriate NIT guideline priority. This was done in conjunction with the annual review of DCID 1/2 priorities. Consideration is being given to accomplishing this revision of DCID 1/2 priorities in the future on an ad hoc basis immediately following the issuance of a new set of Basic Long-Term NITs.